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There have been three children shot by unsecured firearms in Philly in the last three months, 291 homicides since 2017 began, and roughly four times as many shootings. How can the city stem the bloodshed? Experts say taking a "public health" approach to violence could be the answer. Read more inside and at **metrophilly.us.**

NORTH KOREA FIRES ICBM, SPLASHES IN SEA OF JAPAN

1 North Korea launched a missile that landed close to Japan, the first since a missile fired over its neighbor in mid-September, and the Pentagon said its initial assessment was that Pyongyang had tested an intercontinental ballistic missile. North Korea fired the missile a week after President Donald Trump put North Korea back on a U.S list of countries that Washington says support terrorism. The designation allows the United States to impose more sanctions, although some experts said it risked inflaming tensions on the Korean Peninsula. Pentagon spokesman Col. Robert Manning said the Pentagon's initial assessment was an ICBM launched from Sain Ni in North Korea and traveled about 1,000 km before splashing down in the Sea of Japan. The missile did not pose a threat to the United States, its territories or allies.

NEW STEPS PROPOSED FOR PR RECOVERY AID

2 Puerto Rico would get substantial debt relief and other new aid to help it recover from destruction inflicted by Hurricanes Irma and Maria in September, under legislation unveiled on Tuesday by leading liberals in the U.S. Senate. Sen. Bernie Sanders, an independent, and Sen. Elizabeth Warren, a Democrat, called for a new "emergency credit facility" of up to $57.2 billion for Puerto Rico and $5 billion for the Virgin Islands, according to a summary of the bill. The bill would also extend the deadline for individuals to apply for assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency. The legislation cannot advance without the support of Republicans, who hold a slim majority in the Senate. Puerto Rico Gov. Ricardo Rossello is seeking more than $94 billion in disaster recovery aid.

BALI VOLCANO

3 A fisherman drives a traditional boat as Mount Agung erupts seen from Kubu subdistrict in Karangasem Regency on Indonesia's resort island of Bali on Tuesday. Indonesian authorities extended the closure of the international airport on the island for a second day over fears of a volcanic eruption.

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5 THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

US JUDGE SAYS UBER WITHHELD EVIDENCE

4 A U.S. judge said Uber had withheld evidence from him and granted a request from Alphabet Inc.'s Waymo self-driving car unit to delay a trade secrets trial that had been scheduled to begin next week. It would be a "huge injustice" to force Waymo to go to trial now given new evidence that recently surfaced in the case, U.S. District Judge William Alsup said at a hearing in San Francisco federal court. The trial had been scheduled to begin on Dec. 4. Waymo said it learned of the new evidence last week after the U.S. Department of Justice shared it with Alsup. The two companies are battling to dominate the fast-growing field of self-driving cars. An Uber representative referred to an earlier company statement, which said Uber "has been waiting for its day in court for quite some time now" and was keen to have a jury hear the merits of the case.

MAN PLEADS NOT GUILTY IN NYC TRUCK ATTACK

5 The Uzbek immigrant accused of killing eight people by speeding a rental truck down a New York City bike path in October pleaded not guilty on Tuesday to murder and other criminal charges. Sayfullo Saipov, 29, entered his plea before U.S. District Judge Vernon Broderick in Manhattan. A court-appointed lawyer representing him, David Patton, declined to comment on the case after the hearing. Saipov was arrested immediately after the Oct. 31 attack in which he plowed a truck down a bike lane on Manhattan's West Side. Islamic State claimed responsibility for the attack, which was the deadliest assault on New York City since Sept. 11, 2001. Saipov, a legal permanent U.S. resident, was hospitalized after he was shot by a policeman and arrested.

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Experts: To stop gun violence, fight it like a public health issue

A public health approach to fighting gun violence was discussed at a City Council hearing.

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"You shoot. Now what?"

Those words were projected on a screen at City Hall on Tuesday, during a hearing on the ongoing gun violence that plagues Philadelphia year after year.

The message was part of a proposal for a public awareness campaign about the consequences of gun violence that the Philadelphia Health Department plans to launch in the coming months.

Some might wonder why the Health Department is involved in dealing with criminal activity that police and prosecutors would normally handle. But, more and more, medical professionals, academics and elected officials are beginning to discuss tackling gun violence from a scientific, epidemiological approach: as a "public health" issue, not a strictly criminal one.

"Most of our efforts on gun violence in the United States have focused on catching and incarcerating perpetrators. … It happens after a shooting has taken place," said Dr. Thomas Farley, Philly health commissioner, at a City Council hearing Tuesday of the Special Committee on Gun Violence.

So far in 2017, there have been 1,117 people who have been the victims of shootings around Philadelphia. That's an 8 percent decrease from the same time last year. But those who say gun violence should be treated as a "contagious disease" say gunshots are not isolated acts but events that ripple along complex societal webs, inflicting trauma on communities.

Firearm homicide remains the leading cause of death for African-American men aged 15-34 nationwide — around 60 percent of the deaths in the group.

So far in 2017, there have been 291 homicides in Philly and 1358 total reported shootings.

In plain dollars and cents, as the city calculates it, every shooting costs the city $500,000 in hospitalization and other related expenses, and every homicide has a negative economic impact of $6 million.

Programs cited as examples of new strategies to fight gun violence included CeaseFire, based at Temple University and working in the 22nd Police District and part of the 39th District to enlist community members in "interrupting" or squashing beefs before they spark bloodshed. Another was Focused Deterrence, a program in South Philly's 1st, 3rd and 17th police districts that identifies youths at risk of involvement in violence and connects them with social services. From its launch in 2013 for the two following years, fatal and nonfatal shootings fell by 35 percent in the targeted areas.

The programs appeared to be successful, but they have not been implemented broadly.

"Both CeaseFire and Focused Deterrence fall short," said Temple criminal justice professor Caterina Roman at the hearing. "They both succeeded in their key goal of reducing shootings — but as public health interventions, they fall short with regard to creating large-scale, sustainable change."

Just how these programs will become successful remains to be seen. But leaders at the hearing indicated research-based, scientific policies, along with data-sharing between city departments and medical and law enforcement agencies, could help lead the way to new solutions.

Cherie Ryan, left, who lost her son Terence in 1990 to gun violence, and Felicia Pendleton, whose son Jayvon Mitchell-Pendleton was killed on March 2, 2016, sit during a council hearing on youth violence at City Hall in Center City Philadelphia, March 28, 2016. CHARLES MOSTOLLER

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Holocaust Memorial Plaza expansion announced

Center City tribute to Jewish genocide will be expanded into a "living classroom."

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The "pillar" design for the expanded new Holocaust Memorial Plaza in Center City Philadelphia. PROVIDED

Philadelphia's tribute to victims of the Holocaust in Center City will soon be expanded from a plaza and sculpture to a "living classroom," leaders announced Tuesday.

"Located in the heart of Philadelphia, the Plaza will serve as a powerful reminder of the need to stand up for our basic human values and fight anti-Semitism in all forms," said Mayor Jim Kenney, who attended the groundbreaking of the expanded plaza on Tuesday morning, in a statement. "In light of the toxic national rhetoric, it's more important than ever that we properly commemorate the victims of this tragedy and never forget this dark period of history."

The plaza and its "Six Million Jewish Martyrs" sculpture has served as a memorial to the systematic genocide of Jews under the Nazi party in Germany since 1964.

By fall of 2018, the plaza will be expanded and redesigned as a "living classroom," the Philadelphia Holocaust Remembrance Foundation (PHRF) announced on Tuesday.

A mobile app created by the USC Shoah Foundation will give visitors a location-activated historic tour of the site and access to eyewitness accounts of the Holocaust from some 50,000 survivors.

The Holocaust Memorial Plaza expansion will include:

- "Six Pillars," a new sculpture symbolizing the six million who died. The pillars will be presented in pairs, each chronicling one atrocity of the Holocaust and pairing it with a message from the U.S. Constitution.
- Train tracks from the railroad adjacent to the Treblinka death camp embedded in the pavement.
- A sapling grown from a tree planted by children in the Theresienstadt camp "who recognized that they were unlikely to live long enough to see it mature."
- A tree grove that "will represent the woodlands that sheltered the brave heroes of the resistance movement."

The project is funded by a $7 million fundraising drive by PHRF.

"This unique memorial in Philadelphia is a stark reminder to never forget," said Attorney General Josh Shapiro, who attended the ground-breaking.

Learn more at philaholocaustmemorial.org.

The intersection of Spruce Street and 11th Street. GOOGLE MAPS

24-year-old cyclist killed in dump truck crash

Bicycle advocates are planning to link arms Wednesday morning along the bike lane on Spruce Street in honor of a 24-year-old cyclist killed near 11th Street on Tuesday.

The victim, who had not been identified, reportedly lived in the area and was biking west in the Spruce Street bike lane around 7:30 a.m. when she reportedly collided with a private sanitation truck which was making a right turn on 11th, according to police.

The victim lived near South and 7th streets but has not yet been identified by police pending family notification.

The garbage truck driver, who was not identified, has not been charged and is cooperating with authorities, police said.

The Bicycle Coalition of Greater Philadelphia called on the city to repaint the Spruce Street bike lane lines. They are planning a vigil at 11th and Spruce on Wednesday at 5 p.m. SAM NEWHOUSE

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Sen. Schumer calls for investigation into privacy policies of at-home DNA kits

Personal DNA testing kits, like 23andMe, may pose serious privacy concerns, Sen. Chuck Schumer warns.

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This holiday season, many families will get the chance to dive into their genetic history through at-home DNA kits, but New York Sen. Chuck Schumer is warning that such kits may put your privacy at risk.

DNA kits like AncestryDNA and 23andMe were top sellers on Amazon this Cyber Monday and have seen thousands of sales on the retail site in the past two years.

Ancestry's sales swelled to nearly 1,300 kits a day on Amazon by late 2016, the company told CNBC, and the kits are expected to be a popular gift for the holidays.

The kits make it easy to see your genetic lineage, but those getting their DNA tested aren't the only ones to see all that information.

Schumer this week said that at-home DNA testing puts consumer privacy at "great risk," because the companies conducting that testing don't always disclose exactly what they are doing with your DNA. He's calling for a Federal Trade Commission investigation into the privacy policies of such kits.

"When it comes to protecting consumers' privacy from at-home DNA test kit services, the federal government is behind," Schumer said in a statement. "Besides, putting your most personal genetic information in the hands of third parties for their exclusive use raises a lot of concerns, from the potential for discrimination by employers all the way to health insurance."

Most companies that offer DNA testing, from the family-history focused ones to businesses that offer personalized weight-

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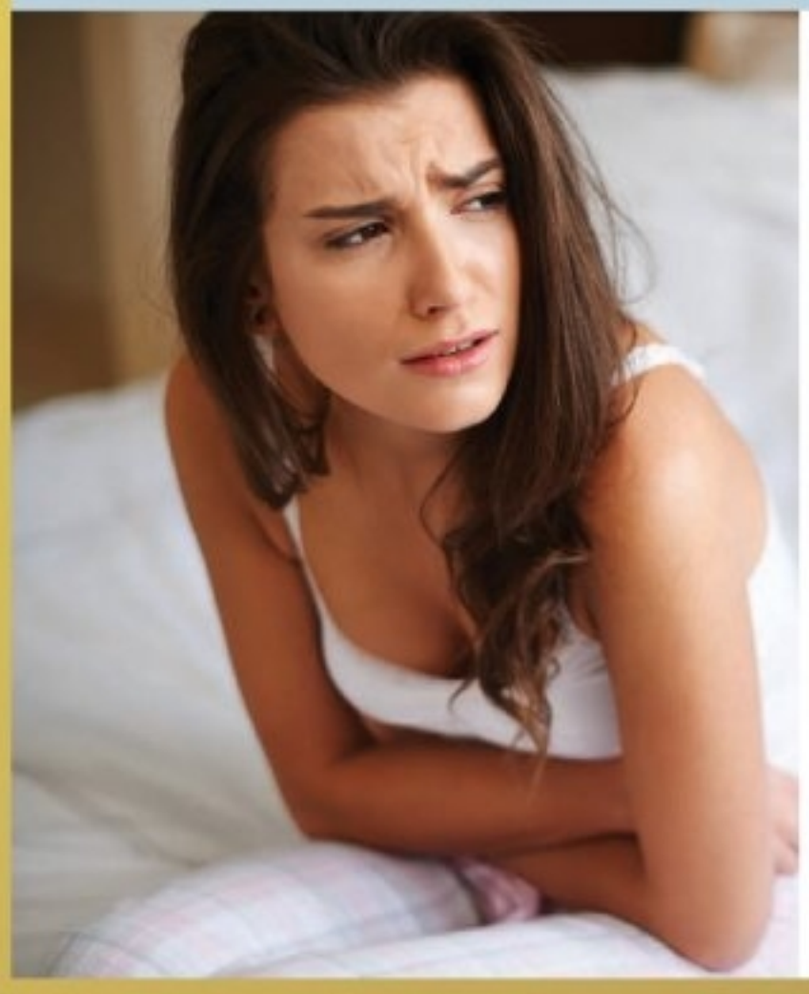

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Sen. Chuck Schumer said many people don't realize their DNA, and all the sensitive information it contains, are ending up in the hands of third-party companies. GETTY IMAGES

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They rely on a third-party genome sequencer, like the Silicon Valley-based Helix. All companies that work with Helix in their "marketplace" can draw from that one DNA sample, so you don't have to send your DNA in again to try different genetic-based services.

Many people don't realize their DNA, and all the sensitive information it contains, is ending up in the hands of third-party companies, Schumer said. Varying terms of service for each of those companies means it's hard for consumers to understand the "consent" they're giving for the use of that information.

"That's why I am asking the Federal Trade Commission to take a serious look at this relatively new kind of service and ensure that these companies have clear, fair privacy policies and standards for all kinds of at-home DNA test kits," Schumer said. "We don't want to impede research but we also don't want to empower those looking to make a fast buck or an unfair judgment off your genetic information. We can find the right balance here, and we must."

Interest in DNA testing shows no sign of slowing. The market was worth about $70 million in 2015, according to data gathered by Schumer's office, and is expected to rise to $340 million by 2022.

"The last gift any of us want to give away this holiday seasons is our most personal and sensitive information, so that is why we are asking the FTC to step in, take a hard look at this industry and ensure there are across-the-board protections to safeguard consumers and ensure good research continues," Schumer said. "There is no point to learning about your family tree if your privacy gets chopped down in the process."

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Trump's dad lied about his heritage to benefit his business: Report

The Trumps have a "Pocahontas" chapter of their own.

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On Monday, President Trump again used his "Pocahontas" epithet on Sen. Elizabeth Warren, reviving charges that Warren claimed to be Native American for professional benefit, while a resurfaced report showed that Trump's father lied about his heritage for financial gain.

On July 16, the Boston Globe reported that Fred Trump concealed his family's origins by claiming to be Swedish to boost his real estate business: "The family hid its German heritage, in large part because Fred Trump was trying to sell apartments, often to Jewish tenants, in the aftermath of World War II. 'He said, "You don't sell apartments after the war if you're German,"' John Walter, a family historian and one of Donald Trump's cousins, said in an interview. 'So he's Swedish, no problem.'"

In his 1987 autobiography "The Art of the Deal," Donald Trump repeated the lie that his family was from Sweden. He later admitted that was untrue and claimed German heritage in later books. When the Globe asked him about the switch, Trump explained it as sensible: "When asked why his father claimed he was Swedish, Trump told the Globe, 'Well, he spent time in Sweden. And he talked about Swedish because of the fact, you know, we happened to be at war with Germany, which I guess makes sense in a lot of ways doesn't it? But he spent time in Sweden. … Our country was at war with Germany,' he added. 'So being from Germany didn't necessarily play so well for a period of time.'"

On Monday, during a ceremony to honor the surviving Navajo Code Talkers — who used Native American language to help the U.S. avoid enemy detection during World War II — Trump digressed from standard remarks and told the men there was a member of Congress named "Pocahontas."

White House press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders dismissed suggestions that what Trump did was offensive. "I think what most people find offensive is Sen. Warren lying about her heritage to advance her career," she said.

During Warren's 2012 Senate campaign, it emerged that she had claimed Cherokee and Delaware Indian heritage based on family lore. She said she had gained no professional benefit from it.

Donald Trump's family has claimed to have Swedish ancestry. GETTY IMAGES

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Facebook reports progress in removing extremist content

Facebook said on Tuesday that it was removing 99 percent of content related to militant groups Islamic State and al Qaeda before being told of it, as it prepared for a meeting with European authorities on tackling extremist content online.

Eighty-three percent of "terror content" is removed within one hour of being uploaded, Monika Bickert, head of global policy management, and Brian Fishman, head of counter-terrorism policy at Facebook, wrote in a blog post.

The world's largest social media network, with 2.1 billion users, has faced pressure both in the United States and Europe to tackle extremist content on its platform more effectively.

In June, Facebook said it had ramped up use of artificial intelligence, such as image matching and language understanding, to identify and remove content quickly.

"It is still early, but the results are promising, and we are hopeful that AI [artificial intelligence] will become a more important tool in the arsenal of protection and safety on the internet and on Facebook," Bickert and Fishman wrote.

"Today, 99 percent of the ISIS and al Qaeda-related terror content we remove from Facebook is content we detect before anyone in our community has flagged it to us, and in some cases, before it goes live on the site." REUTERS

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When President Donald Trump called Sen. Elizabeth Warren (D-Mass.) "Pocahontas" yet again at a ceremony honoring Native American WWII veterans, you could just hear a good majority of America let out a laugh. But not the ha-ha kind. It was an incredulous, can-you-believe-what-he-just-said chuckle-groan of sorts. (Just go with it.)

White House press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders quickly came to Trump's defense under a blast of questions and allegations from reporters. She said, among other things, that "Pocahontas" is not a racial slur (even though the National Congress of American Indians and spokespeople such as the Navajo Nation President Russell Begaye have condemned the president's use of the word).

But GOP strategist Rick Wilson fired back on CNN last night, reports Huffington Post, essentially saying that Sanders' job is to lie for Trump so that his mistakes aren't so messy. She's required, Wilson stated, to be a "serial congenital liar in defense of Donald Trump's latest outrages."

"I mean," Wilson continued, "she probably has some like tiny, shriveled husk left in her soul where she realizes this is the wrong thing to do. But she does it anyway because otherwise they'll replace her." Whoa.

Well, Warren, who is part Cherokee, certainly wasn't laughing. She took offense (as many deemed appropriate), telling CNN that she "really couldn't believe it."

"There he was in a ceremony to honor Native Americans — men who had really put it all on the line…and President Trump couldn't even make it through a ceremony to honor these men without throwing in a racial slur," Warren said. "He thinks that somehow he's going to shut me up with that, and it's just not going to happen. It didn't work in the past, it's not going to work in the future."

GOP Strategist Rick Wilson bashed press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders for defending President Trump. GETTY IMAGES

TAXES

Republican tax plan clears hurdle in Senate; fight erupts over spending

President Donald Trump's push for a big package of tax cuts moved past a potential obstacle on Tuesday as a Senate panel approved the measure despite concerns from some Republican members.

The 12-11 party-line vote in the Senate Budget Committee, held as protestors shouted in the background in a Capitol Hill hearing room, cleared the way for the full Senate to vote on the bill.

That vote could happen as early as Thursday and would give Republicans powerful momentum for their top legislative priority.

The House of Representatives has already approved its own version of tax-cut legislation. The two versions would need to be reconciled before a measure could go to Trump for his signature.

But Republican leaders said they have yet to round up the votes needed for passage in the Senate, where they hold a narrow 52-48 majority.

"It's a challenging exercise," Senate Republican Leader Mitch McConnell said at a news conference. "Think of sitting there with a Rubik's cube."

Republicans, who control both chambers of Congress and the White House, have yet to score a major legislative victory since Trump took office in January. After a failed push this year to repeal former President Barack Obama's healthcare legislation, they are eager to score a win before next year's midterm elections, when control of the House and the Senate is at stake.

Republicans want to push their tax-cut package through the Senate ahead of the budget showdown and get a final version to Trump before the end of the year.

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Frat members plead guilty in Poconos hazing death, sentenced to probation

Michael Deng was the only child of his China-born parents.

Chun "Michael" Deng died during a fraternity ritual in the Poconos. HANDOUT

More than a dozen former members of a New York fraternity chapter pleaded guilty on Tuesday to reduced charges and were sentenced to probation in the 2013 hazing death of a Baruch College freshman during an initiation ritual in the Pocono Mountains.

Chun "Michael" Deng, 19, died from head injuries while pledging to Pi Delta Psi, an Asian-American cultural fraternity.

Seventeen former fraternity members appeared in Monroe County Court of Common Pleas in Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania, on Tuesday. As the result of plea bargains, 15 of them pleaded guilty to reduced charges, and the cases of the final two were continued.

"You are better than this," Judge Margherita Patti-Worthington told the group, urging its members to learn to think for themselves. "Be individuals and do the right thing going forward. Don't get caught up in group think."

Thirteen more defendants were expected to plead guilty on Wednesday, including Andy Meng, former national fraternity president and brother of Rep. Grace Meng of New York, prosecutor Kim Metzger said.

Last week, Pi Delta Psi itself was convicted of charges including aggravated assault and involuntary manslaughter.

Deng died after being injured in a ritual known as the "glass ceiling" at a home the fraternity rented in the Poconos. During the incident, Deng was blindfolded, wore a 30-pound backpack and ran a gauntlet of fraternity members who knocked him down, police said.

The students waited for more than an hour before driving him to a hospital, authorities said.

Deng, a handball player from the New York City borough of Queens, was the only child of his China-born parents. REUTERS

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Getting cancer is a good thing, health blogger claims

Cancer is a horrible disease that killed nearly 600,000 Americans in 2016.

But one Australian blogger thinks it's not that bad — and she's not afraid of sharing her ridiculous viewpoint with the world.

"Cancer and disease is your body trying to save you," Olivia Budgen wrote in a now-deleted post on Instagram.

"Allow me to possibly challenge your beliefs about cancer and other diseases. What if these conditions were not actually bad at all? What if they were created by the body to help save you? What if disease is your body's survival mechanism?" she continued. "Being open-minded and changing your perspective around what disease actually is and why it's happening will allow you to take back control of your health and realise that your body is ALWAYS working for you, and never against you."

Blogger Olivia Budgen claimed, "Cancer and disease is your body trying to save you." INSTAGRAM / OLIVIABUDGEN

Oh really? Ask one of the 50 percent of Americans with chronic diseases if their bodies are always helping them.

She wasn't done:

"In this modern day we are consumed by the medical industry's information which leads us to believe that disease happens to us through genetic disposition," she wrote, adding that diseases like cancer are "natural defense mechanism[s] to prevent a much more serious situation from occurring."

The self-proclaimed "holistic health coach" is being compared to Belle Gibson, another Aussie health coach who was ordered to pay over $400,000 after she claimed she cured her cancer through nutrition. It was all a lie.

"The recommendations in Ms. Budgen's social media post bear no relation to any scientific facts about how cancer starts or how it can be treated," Martin Ledwick, Cancer Research UK's head information nurse, told Metro UK.

There is one good thing Budgen is teaching us, though: Don't take any sort of health advice from an Instagram blogger unless they're an actual doctor or dietitian.

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Angela Lansbury said a bad thing

Actress Angela Lansbury is near and dear to our hearts for many things. Like voicing the overenthusiastic teapot in Disney's "Beauty and the Beast," for example. Or perhaps you're more taken with her work in "Murder, She Wrote." Personally, I prefer her seminal performance in the overlooked classic, "Bedknobs and Broomsticks." Either way, the 92-year-old is a national treasure.

Or at least, she was. As of today, I hereby invite Ms. Lansbury to keep it.

Joining the ranks of other problematic faves before her, Lansbury has now insisted that women are to blame for being subject to sexual harassment and assault in an interview with Britain's Radio Times.

"We must sometimes take blame, women. I really do think that. Although it's awful to say, we can't make ourselves look as attractive as possible without being knocked down and raped."

Thank you, Dame Angela, for ruining my childhood memories with your nonsense.

Another national treasure becomes a problematic fave.

'Mother!' ruined J.Law's relationship

After a year of dating, Jennifer Lawrence and Darren Aronofsky ended their relationship. Now, the professionally personable 27-year-old is hinting that "Mother!" — a film that few people had the capacity to understand — had a lot to do with it.

In Variety's "Actors on Actors" interview series, Lawrence opens up to Adam Sandler, for some reason, about the pressure of dealing with negative reviews while dating the director.

"We'd be on the tour together, I'd come back to the hotel and the last thing I want to talk about or think about is the movie. And he comes back from tour and that's all he wants to talk about," she says.

"I was doing double duty of trying to be a supportive partner while also being like, 'Can I please, for the love of God, not think about 'Mother!' for one second?'"

Our only hope is that in the future, Lawrence will be able to talk about her breakup with someone other than the man who starred in "The Waterboy."

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Harry & Meghan to wed at Windsor Castle

It is my greatest hope, dear reader, that your fatigue concerning Prince Harry and Meghan Markle's engagement is still at an arm's length. Because as tiny droplets of information continue to disperse themselves across Al Gore's internet, we will cover them with an intensity otherwise unheard of.

Tuesday, news broke that the couple has set the date for the wedding: they'll marry in May 2018, in St. George's Chapel at Windsor Castle. Windsor reportedly holds a special place in the 33-year-old Hot Ginger Prince's heart, as he and Markle spent a great deal of time there during the last year.

The rich, delightfully bland and good-looking couple announced their engagement early Monday. They are both either unemployed, or soon-to-be unemployed.

Oh, that's nice.

'Jersey Shore' reunion is coming to MTV

When the original "Jersey Shore" cast caught wind of "Floribama Shore," the down-South spinoff that premiered Monday night on MTV, they threw shade online.

But looks like their s–t-talking was actually hype for a "Jersey Shore" reunion: Deadline reports that a new reality series called "Jersey Shore Family Vacation" is greenlit for 2018.

While most of the GTL gang got back together for a single episode on E!'s "Road Trip Reunion," this time we get them for at least a full season (episode count TBD). Deena, Pauly D, JWOWW, Vinny, Ronnie, Snooki and the Situation will be taking part — that's everybody except Sammi Sweetheart.

Per a source at US Weekly, she's opting out because "she didn't want to be around Ronnie." The two acted out their *amour fou* before breaking up IRL in 2014.

We're watching "Floribama Shore," so you know we're gonna watch JS "Family Vacation," whether it stinks or not. Let's hope the crew's kiddos, for their own sake, are not actually involved. KATE MOONEY

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Daniel Day-Lewis quits the movie biz after 'Phantom Thread'

The "nightmare" experience put the three-time Best Actor Academy Award-winner off filmmaking for good.

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Daniel Day-Lewis is a Hollywood legend. Sure, other living actors have more than two golden statues on the mantel, but Day-Lewis is the only guy with three for best lead performance. And at only 60 years old, one would assume we'd have at least another decade (or two) of his on-camera talent to enjoy. But the straw that broke the camel's back was a movie called "Phantom Thread," and we spoke to him ahead of its Christmas Day debut to find out why it was his official end-of-the-line.

At first glance, it doesn't seem like such arduous storytelling to compel a man in the prime of his career to hang up his hat for good. It isn't a war story set in the trenches. There are no giant explosions or death-defying stunts. Filming didn't occur in the Sahara or the Arctic. In fact, it's a rather quiet tale of a dressmaker (a dressmaker!) in fashionable postwar London. Day-Lewis' character styles socialites and royals, and falls for a muse named Alma (played by Vicky Krieps). What could possible go wrong?

"It was awful," Day-Lewis says, of filming "Phantom Thread." He continues, saying that writer and director Paul Thomas Anderson (of "Magnolia," "There Will Be Blood" and more) "and I laughed a lot before we made the movie. And then we stopped laughing because we were both overwhelmed by a sense of sadness. That took us by surprise: We didn't realize what we had given birth to. It was hard to live with. And still is."

Heavy.

"We got away with it at first, because we were up in the north-east of England, and it was beautiful," he shares. "And then we were in the Cotswolds, which was very beautiful. Then we were in London in this townhouse, and it was a nightmare because we were living on top of each other, and there was no space."

If your spidey sense is saying "here's another privileged famous person complaining about the size of their trailer and the food on set," Day-Lewis wasn't the only one playing the world's smallest violin. His co-star, Vicky Krieps, was so traumatized that she actually had her first ever panic attack during production. "I was so in the world of telling the story, and [the London filming location] was small and people were talking and the radio [was on], and suddenly I couldn't breathe," she tells us.

So … is the big-time director to blame for forcing DD-L out of his craft due to unfair working conditions? According to him, he wouldn't change a thing about his approach, but he does acknowledge it was tough. "We're all OK now," says Anderson, "but it was really hard. Whatever the struggles were, and there were struggles, I think it was worth it."

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Playing a dressmaker was more than he could handle. FOCUS FEATURES

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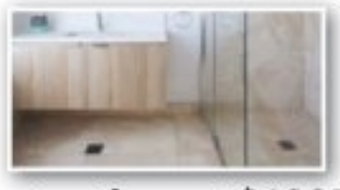

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On Dec. 17, Philadelphia Theatre Company (PTC) will present "A Dream Is A Wish: A Holiday Princess Concert," which will feature some of the most celebrated princesses from movie musicals and television.

This one-day event will encourage audience members to sing-along to popular tunes like "A Dream Is a Wish," "Let It Go," "Reflection," "Part of Your World," "Marshmallow World," "Frosty the Snowman" and more.

"The Holiday Princess Concert is the perfect way for PTC to be part of early memories for children experiencing live-theater for the first time," says Paige Price, Philadelphia Theatre Company's producing artistic director. "PTC has traditionally been the destination for work best enjoyed by teen and adult audiences. We know that the love of live theatre often begins with very young children taken to performances by a family member. By combining music, audience interaction and a family-friendly story in a relaxed environment, we hope to light that spark of interest that we know lasts a lifetime with theatre-goers."

Kids are encouraged to come dressed up to the show as their favorite prince or princess. Afterward, there will even be a meet-and-greet reception complete with holiday cookies, apple cider and of course, the chance to take a photo with the cast of princesses.

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Bringing the kids? There's even a young adult menu for guests 13 and under that includes a 5 oz. petite filet mignon ($12), broiled salmon ($8) and macaroni and cheddar cheese ($6) that's served with Golden Delicious apple sauce. Side options include mashed potatoes, hand-cut fries, buttered corn, steamed broccoli or tossed salad.

There's a ton of shows within walking distance of Ocean Prime over the holiday season, like "Annie" (now through Jan. 7) at the Walnut Street Theatre, "The Color Purple" (Dec 12-17) at the Forrest Theatre, and of course, who could forget "The Nutcracker" at the Academy of Music (Dec. 8-Dec. 31). Add to the experience with a great meal.

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Genevieve Gorder's DIY holiday hacks

Interior designer Genevieve Gorder gives us tips for holiday decoration. PROVIDED

The interior designer, HGTV host and "Trading Spaces" star gives us tips for easy holiday home deco.

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You may still be working through your Thanksgiving leftovers, but Turkey Day is deader than, well, your Thanksgiving turkey, and now we're onto the next commerical holiday. Time to purchase a dead tree for your home, if you're so inclined, drink some hot alcohol, stream some holiday nonsense — you know the drill. We asked Genevieve Gorder, interior designer, host of "Dear Genevieve" and "Genevieve's Renovation" on HGTV, and star of "Trading Spaces" — the hit home reno show which is returning to TLC in 2018 — for tips on how to get into the festive spirit where we live.

Keep it natural

"You don't need to spend a lot to get a lot," Gorder says. "It's as easy as looking outside your window and grabbing the stuff from the backyard." She likes to take naturally dried plants, flowers, branches and arrange them in vases, add them as ornaments to the Christmas tree, or place them as a centerpiece for the dining room table.

Mix up your greens

When it comes to decorating with winter greens, Gorder likes to shake things up by using plants you wouldn't necessarily think of, like eucalyptus, magnolia, even elephant leaves. Another tip is to combine tropical and evergreens in the same display for something a little different. "Craft wire is your best friend," she says. Use it to wire your greens together for a garland, to affix ornaments to the tree, to hang a wreath on your door, etc.

Aroma is decor

Gorder believes that aroma is an essential part of decor. Set the mood you want with a seasonal fragrance; Gorder recommends Air Wick's Apple Crumble, if you want to infuse your home with the hominess of baked goods, or its Woodland Pine, if you're craving that evergreen scent. "We need this to get through the dreariness of December," she says.

Use light to your advantage

"Light is such a big part of this season," she explains. "Using this as a very powerful tool throughout your decorating and home plan is integral to the Christmas feeling."

Gorder likes to take a glass jar or vase, fill it with Morton salt (to stand in for snow) and place a figurine inside, like a little toy deer, and then illuminate it with a flameless candle.

Put a bow on it

Gorder loves to use sculptural ribbon to add a little festive flair, whether as an ornament, a napkin holder, as an adornment around a jar of cookies.

"The bows are the great outfit on anything in the house," she says.

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Sixers can't beat LeBron, will they try and sign him?

Is Philadelphia a realistic destination for LeBron James next season?

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LeBron James guarded Ben Simmons for the first time Monday when the Cavaliers came to town to face the upstart Sixers.

And even though the Cavaliers cruised to a 113-91 victory, Sixers fans watching in the packed arena and at home on TV couldn't help but contemplate a future that might include LeBron James.

The two large and talented men, friends for over a year now as Simmons and James share an agent (and Simmons' sister Emily Bush works for said agency) jockeyed for rebounds in a physical game between the budding Sixers and waning Cavs. Simmons left midway through the fourth quarter after twisting his ankle a bit. James scored 30 points while the rookie had 10.

Comparisons between the two have run rampant all season but are a bit premature.

"I get it. I understand it. But Ben hasn't done, and we haven't done, anything yet," Sixers head coach Brett Brown said. "And personally, I have been privileged. Sort of my NBA life has been [James']. I've seen LeBron from day one. And you've seen him grow. He's amazing. He is amazing. On the court, how he handles his responsibility on that stage. Off the court, I think he's got an element of grace, how he handles himself and carries the NBA logo with a tremendous amount of pride."

"I'd be annoyed, too, if somebody was comparing me to a rookie," Simmons added. "You shouldn't compare me to somebody like that. Not yet."

With the Sixers set to have more than $40 million in salary cap space when J.J. Redick and Amir Johnson come off the books in 2018, there will be plenty of money for a big name free agent.

Is James staying in Cleveland? Is he going to LA? Could he come to Philly?

The Simmons connection already exists, as does his newly minted love for Eagles quarterback Carson Wentz.

"My favorite player right now is Carson Wentz," James said Monday. "He's a very smart player from the outside looking in, obviously, and they've got a really good team. I'm a Cowboys fan, I'm a Browns fan, but I'm a fan of sports and I know sports."

There may not be a more desirable free agent destination — aside from the slightly less talented but better climated Los Angeles — than Philadelphia over the next couple seasons.

With Joel Embiid, Ben Simmons, Markelle Fultz, Dario Saric and Robert Covington all locked in for the long haul, a superstar mercenary, paired with the eventual NBA maturity of the aforementioned 76ers players, Philly is a premier basketball city once again.

Eagles are preparing to live out West for a week

Let's be realistic. Flying to Seattle, then back to Philadelphia, then to Los Angeles, then back to Philadelphia all within the space of about eight days is kind of stupid.

And the Eagles agree.

When they fly to the West Coast in a few days ahead of their Sunday Night Football date with the Seahawks, they won't be getting as many frequent flier miles as they can. Instead they will get themselves on Pacific Standard Time and get ready to try and clinch the NFC East with a win in Week 13. And then a week later face the Rams in Los Angeles.

"I've never done anything like that as a player or coach," Eagles offensive coordinator Frank Reich, who played quarterback in the NFL for 14 years before coaching for the last nine, said. "I think all it is is a business decision. It's a business trip. It's how do we put ourselves in the best environment to succeed on a business trip to get ourselves mentally and physically ready to play? I think there's a lot of trust in the leadership of the team and the players to say, 'That's what it's going to be.'"

The Eagles won't return to The Linc until Christmas Day. GETTY IMAGES

This is a good idea, as sleeping patterns really do have an impact on success of teams.

According to a study conductied by Genevieve Forest of the University of Quebec, West Coast teams have a circadian advantage over East Coast teams. The study looked at NFL, NHL and NBA teams and concluded that "if a team from the East Coast has an early-morning practice and a late evening game on the West Coast, the time zone differences would negatively affect their performance." EVAN MACY

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No. 1

Eagles
10-1 (W vs. CHI)

The Eagles could clinch the division as early as Thursday night if the Cowboys lose or tie against Washington. Regardless, a win against Seattle Sunday will do the job. Finishing the job is something the Eagles have been all about this season, regardless of the quality of their opponents.

No. 2

Patriots
9-2 (W vs. MIA)

A pair of Tom Brady turnovers let the Dolphins get back in the game early, but New England pulled away behind four touchdown passes. Dion Lewis had his first 100-yard rushing game while Rex Burkhart found paydirt twice. The Patriots are tied with the Vikings as the NFL's second hottest teams, winners of seven in a row.

No. 3

Vikings
9-2 (W vs. DET)

The road to the division title got a lot clearer for the Vikings after they avoided a sweep at the hands of Detroit. Doubting the Vikings seems mostly tied to their quarterback, but Case Keenum is playing football more akin to his contemporaries at the top of this list. He has a career high 14 touchdown passes after three in Detroit.

No. 4

Steelers
9-2 (W vs. GB)

Turnovers aside, the Pittsburgh offense had one of its best games this season, which was necessary as blown coverages lent the appearance the Steelers were once again taking a win against a struggling opponent for granted. Le'Veon Bell was 10 yards away from his fifth straight 100-yard day.

No. 5

Rams
9-2 (W vs. NO)

The Rams answered all the questions about their ability to compete against quality opponents when they subjected the Saints to the kind of complete game dismantling the Vikings put Los Angeles through a week ago. Even without Robert Woods in the lineup, the offense was back to normal.

No. 6

Panthers
8-3 (NYJ)

Trailing 20-18, Luke Kuechly returned a fumble recovery for a touchdown, and Kaelin Clay had a punt return score of his own to put the Jets firmly behind. Keep an eye on the status of Greg Olsen, who played for the first time in eight weeks in this one, but left after recording just one catch for 10 yards.

No. 7

Saints
8-3 (L vs. LAR)

The Saints missed Marshon Lattimore and Ken Crawley desperately Sunday while losing for the first time in eight games. They fought their way out of a 15 point hole a week ago against Washington and tried to do the same with two fourth quarter touchdowns against the Rams. It wasn't enough.

No. 8

Falcons
7-4 (W vs. TAM)

The Falcons may want to audition Mohamed Sanu for backup quarterback duties after the receiver heaved a 51-yard bomb to Julio Jones for one of Jones' two scores during a monster 253 yard game. More importantly, they kept pace with the Panthers and picked up a game on the Saints.

No. 9

Seahawks
7-4 (W vs. SF)

Seattle beat the 49ers for the ninth straight game. The first of those nine wins came in the NFC Championship game following the 2013 season. A lot has changed, but the Seahawks could make a statement that they aren't too far removed from their glory days with a win over the visiting Eagles Sunday.

No. 10

Chargers
5-6 (W vs. DAL)

The Chargers made up for lost time in their first Thanksgiving game in almost 50 years. They're doing the same on the season with five wins in seven games and now directly behind the skidding Chiefs. Keenan Allen somehow topped his 159 yard effort a week ago with 172 yards last week.

Best of the rest

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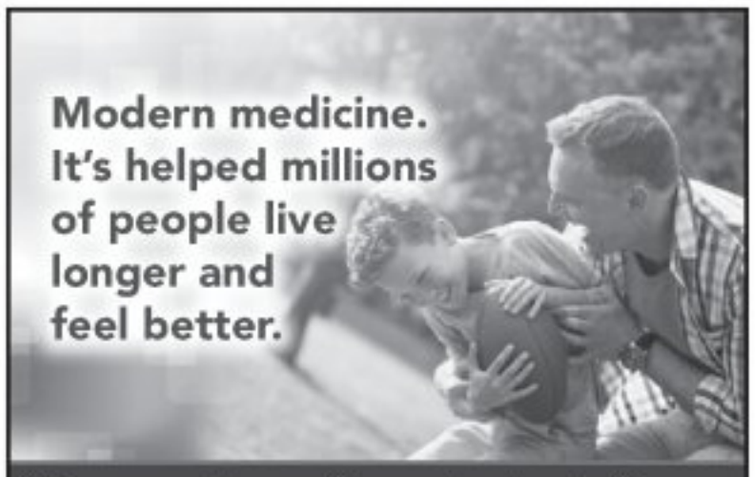

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19 Emcee's remarks
21 Plump (hyph.)
23 Selected
26 Fair-hiring letters
27 Map source
29 Veld grazers
34 Blend
37 Prejudice
39 Strange
40 Piece of news
41 Parcel out
43 "My Way" penner
44 Commonplace
46 Mentally fit
47 Alarm signal
48 Inclined gently
50 Goddess of the hunt
52 Bro or sis
54 Uses a curling iron
57 Ethiopia's Haile –
62 Happily
64 Billy Joel's instrument
65 Cone-bearer
68 Co. honcho
69 Sky hunter
70 Wave hello
71 Frat-party fixture
72 Gull relative
73 North Pole workers
74 Mineral spring

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1 Sanskrit dialect
2 Unbroken horse
3 – sense
4 Most extreme
5 Frat letter
6 Earn
7 Omani title
8 Crusoe's creator
9 Leap
10 Part of A.D.
11 Flexible armor
12 Donkey's cry
15 Jesuit founder
20 GPS predecessor (2 wds.)
22 Remick or Trevino
24 Napoleon's island
25 Uses a hammer
28 Dieter's lunch
30 Crimson Tide
31 Cat's lives
32 Hockey feint
33 Dress fastener
34 Marbles
35 And others (abbr.)
36 TV host Jay –
38 Video-game hedgehog
42 Rip
45 Teacher's plan
49 Put down, slangily
51 When to see stars
53 Worthless talk
55 Selects
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63 Exercise system
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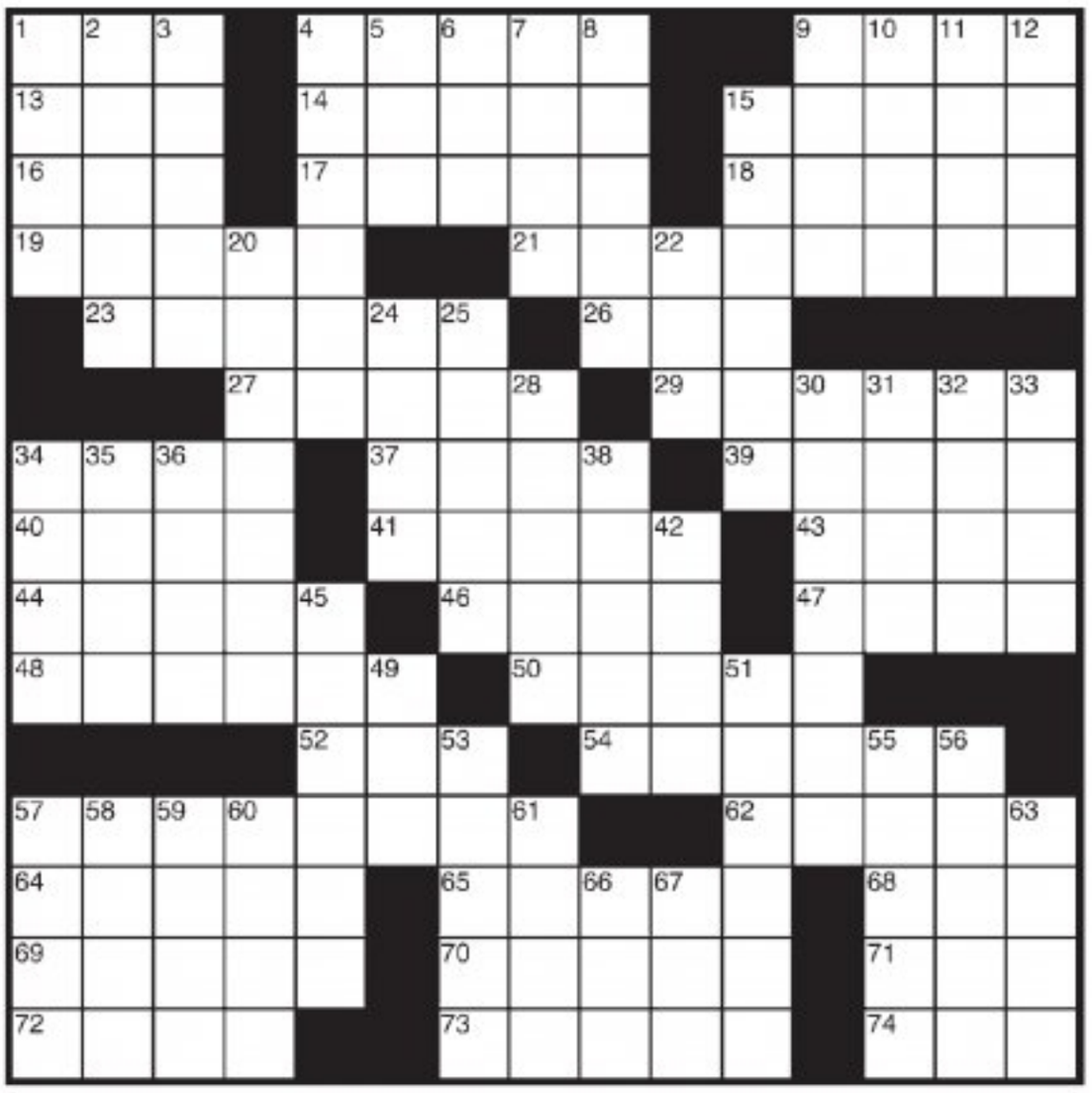
67 Decent grade



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Aries You've got the edge in a competitive race. Use your intelligence and spirited attitude to prove your strength and courage if you want to bring about positive change.

Taurus Learn from past mistakes and use your intelligence to change a situation to better suit your needs. It's up to you to ask for what you want.

Gemini Step up and take action. You can make a difference if you are willing to speak up for those who can't speak for themselves.

Cancer Emotional problems will surface if you make promises that will be difficult to fulfill. Anger will mount if you feel pressured by someone who is demanding or expecting too much.

Leo Embrace change and do your best to make it happen. Your insight, knowledge and ability to flip from one thing to another will make you a prime candidate for success.

Virgo A change in the way or where you handle your assets, investments and daily money matters will help you prosper if you are proactive. Don't leave anything to chance.

Libra A partnership will take a favorable turn if you are willing to stop procrastinating and start moving forward with your plans. Don't hesitate when it comes to progress.

Scorpio A work-related matter must be handled intelligently and with discipline. Don't let anger or impulse ruin something that can be spectacular.

Sagittarius Add to your comfort at home. Living a healthy lifestyle will increase your energy, allowing you to take on physical challenges that will motivate you to be your best.

Capricorn The time you spend helping someone you care about will bring you closer together. Personal or physical changes will bring positive results.

Aquarius A surprise will give you the boost you've been waiting for. A chance to get ahead financially is within reach. Use your experience to make progress.

Pisces Don't fret over something that hasn't happened yet. Stay focused on the here and now so you can make observations that will help you avoid making an error. EUGENIA LAST

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